

COX NOT GUILTY IN FRAUD CASES

Henrico Distiller Quickly Acquitted at End of Six-Day Trial.

LEAVES COURT IN ARMS OF FRIENDS

District Attorney Says Verdict
by No Means Indicates He
Will Abandon Prosecution of
Others Said to Be Impli-
cated—Burke Case
Next.

FRED COX, owner and proprietor of the Fair Oaks Distillery, in Henrico county, was found not guilty yesterday of alleged frauds, in which he was charged with having swindled the government out of the tax on thousands of gallons of whiskey. The jury's verdict was reached after twenty-five minutes' deliberation and after

When Clerk Brady read the verdict

there was slight applause, which the court promptly suppressed. However,

when Cox and his friends got outside the courtroom there were cheers, but

waved, and congratulations were showered upon the defendant. "I'm the hap-

plest man in the world," said Cox, emphasizing his joy in a cheer. "I got

pretty nervous after the jury went out although I did not think they would

Instructions for Defense:

Judge Lewis opened the argument at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and was

followed by Attorney Lamb, who concluded just before the mid-day recess.

Attorney Wendenburg, for the defense took up the argument at the afternoon

Mr. Wendenburg's argument was en-

involved by an arrangement of certain
of the government's witnesses, which

refute.

night session, the case has progressed. When not in court, the jurors were in

charge of Marshal Treat and Deputy Rogers, and that they at times became

weary was evidenced by the request made Friday, that a night session be

held in order to finish the case before Sunday. This was allowed, and Fri

day night Judge Waudin prepared his instructions, which were presented